

The House divided: Ayes 4, Noes 5.

Ayes.

1. Mr. V. V. Anantapadmanabha Ayyar.
2. Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar.
3. Mr. T. K. Nayar.
4. Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.

Noes.

1. Mr. A. Eachara Menon.
2. Mr. P. Krishna Menon.
3. „ T. K. Krishna Menon.
4. „ T. M. Krishna Menon.
5. „ A. B. Salem.

Deputy President.—Four against five. The others are neutral.

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar.—I move that the Bill may be taken up and passed at the next sitting on Friday, the 21st of February 1930.

Mr. P. Krishna Menon.—I second it.

Deputy President.—Anybody opposed to it?

Mr. T. K. Nayar.—Why not have it at the next meeting?

Deputy President.—I shall take the sense of the House. That is all that I can do. In the third reading no amendment can be accepted by the Government.

Motion put and agreed to.

The Cochin Kuri Bill.

Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—The Malayalam translation of the Bill was published only in the last Gazette, *i. e.*, last Saturday. There is also a demand that some more time may be given to consider in detail the amendments. I don't move the Bill this time.

Hence the motion as well as the following amendments were not considered :—

Mr. A. EACHARA MENON.

(1) In section 19 (2) (17 (2) of the amended Bill) omit the words 'unless such liability is expressly excluded by the terms of the Vaimpu.'

(2) In section 27 (25 (1) of the amended Bill) add after 'payment' 'of the present value,' and after 'subscriptions' 'at 6 per cent per annum.'

Mr. C. V. KURIYAN.

(1) In section 2 delete the words 'except to the extent specified in section 50 below.'

(2) In section 3 (9) change the word 'Sthirapalisa' into 'Veethapalisa.'

(3) In section 5 delete the words 'it shall be void' and add in their place 'voidable at the option of the subscriber.'

(4) In section 7 add at the beginning—

(a) 'In every kuri there shall be a vaimpu in duplicate and.'

(b) In section 7 (1) delete 'and every subscriber.'

(5) In section 8 read as 'Vaimpu' for 'Kuri.'

Add in section 8(2) 'After the vaimpu is registered and before the first ticket is drawn, the foreman shall file before the Registrar a statement in duplicate containing the full name and address of every subscriber and the number of tickets and fractions thereof held by each subscriber.'

The Registrar shall then endorse on the duplicate a certificate that the kuri is registered.

Every such endorsement shall be conclusive evidence that the kuri is duly registered under the Regulation.

If a foreman makes default in filing the statement with the correct prescribed particulars, he shall be liable to a fine not exceeding five hundred rupees.

(6) In section 11 delete 'the prize-winner or winners or such other person or persons duly authorised in writing on their behalf.'

(7) In section 13 clause (1) delete the following 'and the provision is especially assented to in writing by or on behalf of all the subscribers.'

(8) In section 25 delete 'the amount of subscription to be paid by the defaulter for each instalment may be withdrawn, from time to time as occasion arises for payment to future prize-winners' and read 'amounts may be withdrawn from time to time as occasion arises for kuri purposes.'

(9) In section 36 add after the word 'conducted' the following 'provided a written notice of at least seven days is given'

(10) In section 51 add the following after the words 'per annum' 'and the foreman shall be entitled to sue for and recover from the prized subscriber amounts outstanding with them in excess of their actual subscriptions with interest at 6 per cent per annum.'

Mr. K. P. KANNAN NAYAR.

(1) In section 51, clause 2, after the word 'subscriber' in line 3 insert 'or starter.'

(2) In section 51 clause 3, after the word 'subscriber' in line 1 insert 'or starter.'

Cochin Irrigation Bill.

Deputy President.—The next is the introduction of the Cochin Irrigation Bill.

Mr. V. V. Anantapadmanabha Ayyar.—I move that the Cochin Irrigation Bill be read in Council.

Dr. A. G. Menon.—I beg to second it.

Mr. V. V. Anantapadmanabha Ayyar.—In bringing this Bill before the Council, I expect the hearty co-operation of not only the non-official Members of this House but also of the official Members.

Deputy President.—If that is not opposed, I don't think whether any speech is necessary. Under the Standing Orders, if there is no opposition, is it necessary? I am not sure. I must just look into them.